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Former deputy sheriff convicted of battery, official misconduct

David Carrico found guilty by jury in 2012 assault of Marion County Jail inmate

(Indianapolis, Ind.) – Marion County Prosecutor Terry Curry announced that on Thursday evening a jury found David Carrico guilty of Official Misconduct (D Felony), Battery (A Misdemeanor), and False Reporting (A Misdemeanor) for an assault on a handcuffed inmate that occurred while Carrico was on duty as a Marion County Deputy Sheriff.

The incident occurred on May 20, 2012, in the Marion County Jail as the arrestee was being processed. Security camera footage used in the trial shows the assault by Carrico in a transportation bay off of the jail's receiving room. The injured arrestee filed a citizen complaint after the incident, and was treated at Community North Hospital after his release for a questionable nasal fracture, a contusion to the right eye and abrasions.

"This conviction reaffirms that everyone must be held accountable for his or her actions, regardless of that individual's position. Particularly in the case of law enforcement officers, the responsibility of upholding the public's trust is critical," Prosecutor Terry Curry commented. "Mr. Carrico clearly violated his duties and that trust, and we are pleased that justice has been rendered in this case through the jury's verdict."

Carrico was terminated by the Marion County Sheriff's Office after the incident in 2012. The Marion County Prosecutor's Office filed criminal charges in the matter in June 2012 after an investigation was conducted.

Sentencing has been scheduled for June 27, 2014, at 8:30 a.m. in Court 9.

A separate case is pending for charges stemming from five additional incidents between 2010 and 2012 where Carrico is accused of Official Misconduct, Battery and other related charges for interactions with arrestees while on duty. That case is set for a pre-trial conference hearing on June 27, 2014.

A charge of a crime is merely an accusation, and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.